

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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ATTN: Tim Fiocchi

Please review the attached draft carefully to ensure that it is consistent with your intent.

This draft includes various lighting and marking requirements for wide implements of husbandry in ch. 347. There are also a few requirements in current law. See ss. 347.21, 347.22, 347.24, 347.245, and 347.27. For example, self-propelled implements of husbandry must usually be equipped with headlamps and tail lights in the same manner as other vehicles. See s. 347.22 (1). As discussed, this draft generally creates lighting and marking requirements that are in addition to, not in lieu of, current requirements.

As discussed, there may be ambiguity as to whether current law allows overwidth implements of husbandry to operate over the center line of a roadway. The lighting and marking requirements for wide implements of husbandry in this draft do not clarify this existing ambiguity.

The table in s. 348.15 (3) (g) of this draft is derived from Appendix D of the Implements of Husbandry Study. Appendix D does not include information for a 34-inch axle distance.

Please let me know if you would like any changes made to the attached draft or if you have any questions.

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